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Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a) Petition For Four-month Extension of Time;
 - b) Response to Missing Parts;
 - c) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts;
 - d) Return postcard
2. With respect to fees:
 - a) Checks in the amount of \$1,080.00 and \$1,360.00 are enclosed.
 - b) Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment our Deposit Account, No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 29, 2000

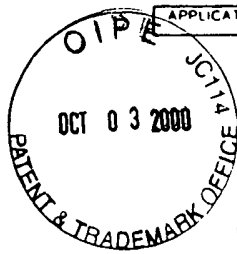
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION (CPA)
Filing Date Granted

The Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) request filed on 3-3-00 is entitled to a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(d)(1). The CPA request, however, lacks the filing fee(s) and/or items indicated below.

Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file the fee(s), item(s), and any surcharge required below to avoid abandonment of this CPA. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The total amount owed by applicant is the sum of items 1(a) or (b), 2, and 3 (if checked) below.

- ☒ 1 The statutory basic filing fee is:
☒ missing.
☐ insufficient.

(a) Applicant must submit \$ 690.00 to complete the basic filing fee and the \$130.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) (non-small entity), or \$ 345.00 to complete the basic filing fee as a small entity and the \$65.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) and file a small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27 claiming such status (if the prior application was entitled to small entity status and such status is still proper and desired, a new small entity statement is not required (37 CFR 1.28)).

(b) Applicant must submit \$ _____ to complete the basic filing fee as a small entity and the \$65.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

- ☒ 2 Additional claim fees of
\$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for _____ independent claims over 3
\$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for _____ claims over 20
\$ 260.00 (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

- ☐ 3 A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
☐ 4 The CPA request is unsigned. Applicant must file a signed duplicate or ratification of the CPA request.

- ☐ 5 Other:

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A copy of this Notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.

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Direct the reply and any questions about this Notice to

Coralie Williams

Examining Group 1615

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DUE DATE: 5/29/00
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